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POETRY.

MY HEART IS SAD AND LONE, MARY.

BY FINLEY JOHNSON.

My heart is sad and lone, Mary
And tears are falling fast;
As backward to the scenes of yore
My vision now is cast;
They come like vales and shadowy dreams
Within a troubled sleep—
And as they pass before my view
I turn aside—to weep.

Sad memories now are thronging, Mary,
Upon my breaking heart;
And causing bitter, burning tears
Unto my eyes to start;
And painful are the thoughts that rise
Like billows in my breast;
Whilst on my knees I fervent pray
To be like thee—at rest.

My soul can ne'er forget, Mary,
Our childhood's happy hours;
When love lay sleeping in our hearts
Like dew in folded flowers;
When bliss divine was all our own
And hope was not a dream;
When future joys were mirrored on
Life's ever running stream.

But death grew jealous of our bliss,
And his grasp on thee laid;
And claimed thee as his own, to grace
The chambers of the grave;
We laid thee down in silence, Mary,
The cold earth to thy bed;
And placed with pure and holy hands
A marble at thy head.

My heart in its despair, Mary,
As fell the falling sod;
Gave way to words of bitterness
And cursed aloud his God;
But better thoughts upon his mind,
And as I knelt in prayer,
Thy gentle spirit softly came
To smooth my brow of care.

The Spring once more has given place
To Summer's gentle showers;
And Winter's chilling blasts
Yea withered the flowers;
Yet seasons and their changing scenes—
Have new joys for me;
Since thou art dead—for e'er thy joy
Was centered, love, in thee.

But though my heart is sad, Mary,
And e'er thy joy has fled;
Though all my hopes and dreams of bliss
Are buried with the dead;
Yet still unto my weary soul
This blessed hope is given;
That I can come to thee, my love,
And live with thee in Heaven.

MISCELLANY.

THE KENTUCKY TRAGEDY.

The singularly tragic attendant circumstances, and the terrible climax of the act of vengeance known as "THE KENTUCKY TRAGEDY," excited throughout the country, at the period of its commission, a degree of earnest attention which even the excitement that marked the discovery of the murder of Dr. Parkman, by Prof. Webster, fails to parallel. The impelling motive of the deed, tinged as it was with chivalric heroism, which seldom if ever fails in awakening the admiration of our noblest sympathies—the distinguished prominence of the principal parties, attaches to the tragedy which constitutes our caption a mournful interest which will long be remembered; thus fully realizing the enthusiastic boast of him whose generous young heart prompted him to champion the wrong of one he loved—that he would make her story "a memorial of virtue to be remembered when they were both in the dust."

Orville Beauchampe was the second son of a study Kentucky farmer, who had happily died some years before the occurrence which has lent to his name such an enviable celebrity—leaving his widow and three children, two of them girls, in comfortable circumstances. Orville, when about eighteen years of age, was placed as student in the law office of Col. Solomon P. Sharp, an eminent lawyer and politician, between whom an intimacy—cemented apparently by the warmest impulse of mutual regard—sprang up and ripened into friendship; but, alas! for the blind selfishness of human passion, their intimacy was broken and their existences terminated by

a deed that stained the entire country. At twenty-one, young Beauchampe was admitted to the brotherhood of the Bar, and at once assumed a position among the most promising and brilliantly talented young lawyers of the State. A short time subsequently to his leave from legal tutelage, young Beauchampe became acquainted with a Miss Anna Cooke, who, with her widowed mother, resided near the house of the former. The undied seclusion in which Miss Cooke lived, furnished agreeable stimulus to the aboriginal curiosity of a country town, and a became the theme of general conversation. The ardent and impulsive nature of young Beauchampe prompted him to break through the restraints of so ungraciously an isolation, and to form the acquaintance of a Recluse reported to be as beautiful as she was reserved, and he succeeded. A colder heart than that of Beauchampe might vainly have striven to resist the fascination of Miss Cooke's manner and appearance—uniting in her person all the elements of physical beauty and grace; hence is described as having been lovely to degree which could suggest additional charms to the most exquisite ideals of painter or poet. Her mellow tone, and smiles light with the most powerful magnetism of love, soon won not alone the love, but the worship, the idolatry, of Beauchampe. Existence without Anna Cooke would have been to his soul life without light—being without a directing thought or emotion to warm it into more than passive consciousness of existence. He revealed his love, her—poured out the homage of his heart with the unreserved and gushing fullness characteristic of the South; sweet land of impulse and of fervid feeling—acquired that it was responded to with all the ardor of his own affection; and he asked that his bliss might receive the culminating blessing of marriage. She had too high an appreciation of the noble and lofty homage she had gained, to practice upon it a deceit; and Beauchampe learned with paralyzing horror and surprise that to hand he claimed had been foully dishonest—that the love he asked, to offer in purification upon the shrine of his heart, had been deceived, betrayed and trampled upon.

But all conquering love triumphed over the colder conventionalities of society, and over the promptings of manhood's pride—he renewed his offer of marriage, and was accepted—wedded upon the terrible, though sacredly sworn condition, that should he ever meet the early betrayer of her from whose hands he had received the weapon of vengeance, that he would sacrifice his life—would immolate him upon the altar of her wrongs. Brief period of happiness was permitted him, an exciting political contest was then in progress, and Col. Sharp, his friend and tutor, a candidate for the Assembly of Kentucky, required the assistance of his youthful and eloquent pupil—to obtain that he, for the first time since his marriage, visited Beauchampe, and then and there, after a separation of five years, met as the wife of his friend, Orville Beauchampe; her, whom five years previously, it is alleged, he had under an assumed name, seduced—the recognition was mutual, and Anna Cooke, Mrs. Beauchampe, in whose heart the morbid desire for vengeance had cooled before the more ardent fires of love and conjugal happiness, revealing to her unrepentant wronger the terrible oath of vengeance by which she had bound her husband to slay him, expressing her earnest wishes for peace—commanded, implored the absence of Sharp—but in vain, and "as asserted by the friends of Beauchampe, the privileges, and the sacred rights of hospitality and of unsuspecting friendship were prostituted and violated to subserve the meaner promptings of passion."

Mrs. Beauchampe revealed to her husband the identity of Col. Sharp's friend, with Alfred Stevens her seducer, and exacted from him the fulfillment of the obligation which he had so solemnly assumed. Beauchampe arming himself, met Sharp by appointment on a bank of the Kentucky river, and demanded, with proffered weapon, the sole reparation which the nature of the wrong permitted. Sharp, though professedly willing to arbitrate upon the field of honor any difficulties, though his courage had been severely tested in several duels, on this occasion seems to have lost all sense of manhood in the more powerful suggestions of personal safety, or perhaps in the enfeebling propinquities of conscience, and actually groveled at the feet of Beauchampe, as he implored immunity from harm—the high-spirited youth, disgusted with a foe so little worthy

of his steel, spurned the prostrate figure with his foot and left him.

Shortly afterwards he learned from undoubted authority that Sharp had uttered imputations upon the previous character of his wife, which in a Southern community marks the lowest depth of female shame and degradation; wrought to madness by the provocation, with all the enthusiasm of his nature excited for the accomplishment of vengeance, he sped to Frankfort, where the legislature was then in session, and where Sharp, then Attorney General of Kentucky the associate, if not the intimate friend of Henry Clay, J. J. Crittenden, and of Kentucky's most gifted son—basked in the meridian light of political and personal distinction. Passing over each ruse which Beauchampe employed to meet Sharp, suffice to say that the latter while seated in his study one night, heard about 9 o'clock a knock at his outer door the name given in reply to his query was that of an acquaintance, and he opened the door, when the glare of his hall light fell upon the face and determined features of Beauchampe—the hour for him had come, and with a single blow, the wrongs of Anna Cooke were avenged. Col. Solomon P. Sharp lay dead upon the threshold of his own door. Suspicion pointed at once to Beauchampe—he was arrested—tried—convicted and condemned, and on the morning of June 5th, 1826, he was doomed to perish on the gallows. At the appointed hour, the Sheriff and his assistants repaired to the cell of Beauchampe, but shrank with horror, as upon the floor, clasped in each others embraces, weltering in their congealed blood, lay the forms of the dead Anna Beauchampe, a willing prisoner with her husband, and the expiring Beauchampe. A rude knife had furnished them the means of death. She had effectually availed herself of them. He was rapidly journeying to the portal of death. They however launched his wound, dressed them, and with undivided eagerness impelled by party spirit placed him in the felon's cart, and ignominiously paraded the expiring youth through the streets of Frankfort. But the sympathy of the ladies of that city, and of many of her less prejudiced sons, converted into a melancholy ovation what was designed for insult. From the windows of every house upon his route, ladies clad in mourning, waved him, amid audible sighs and earnest sobs, their last adieu. The dying voyer was revived into momentary consciousness by the touching admonition. He summoned the remaining energies of his noble heart, and feebly, though gracefully lifted his hands, murmured—

"Daughters of Kentucky, you at least Will bless the name Beauchampe," and sank. Earth and waves were no more to him. He had passed behind the curtain.

ORVILLE BEAUCHAMPE WAS DEAD.

The thrilling and touching incidents of this remarkable tragedy have been skilfully woven into play of more than usual length and exciting interest, which is now being represented on the boards of some of the theatres of the Eastern cities. Miss Lavinia Keen has purchased the copyright from the dramatist, and produced it with great